REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121) dated March 14, 2002, the Examiner provided that "claims inclusive of Claim(s) 39-42, 44-70, 73-85, and 87-91, filed 3/2/01, 4/20/01, 9/17/01, 1/3/02, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121." Examiner implicitly provides that Claims 43, 71-72, 86, 92 and 95 are formal and currently under consideration, and these claims are attached as Appendix A for Examiner's reference. The Examiner has previously indicated that, but for the informalities corrected herein, claims 39-92 and 95 are allowable.

This Supplemental Reply and Amendment is intended to be completely responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 14, 2002. By this Supplemental Reply and Amendment, Claims 39-92 and 95 meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(h) and 1.173 and are believed to be in condition for allowance. Furthermore, Table 1 below provides the status of all claims under 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c) and amendments relative to patent under 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(g).

TABLE 1

Claim(s)	Status	Corresponding claim in '486 patent	Exemplary Support for claim
1-38	Cancelled	N/A	N/A
39	New/Pending	1	Col. 3, 1l. 44-47 and FIGURE 2
40	New/Pending	2	Claim 2 as originally presented
41	New/Pending	3	Claim 3 as originally presented
42	New/Pending	4	Claim 4 as originally presented
43	New/Pending	5	Claim 5 as originally presented
44	New/Pending	6	Claim 6 as originally presented
45	New/Pending	7	Claim 7 as originally presented
46	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 1. 67 through col. 4, 1. 1
47	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 1l. 54-56
48	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, ll. 54-56
49	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
50	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 1l. 44-50
51	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 1l. 47-53
52	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 11. 44-47
53	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
54	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 1l. 18-21 and FIGURE 2
55	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 1l. 29-31 and FIGURE 8
56	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, ll. 1-7 and FIGURE 7
57 .	New/Pending	8	Claim 8 as originally presented; Col.
			2, 11. 53-56; and FIGURE 2
58	New/Pending	9	Claim 9 as originally presented
59	New/Pending	10	Claim 10 as originally presented
60	New/Pending	11	Claim 11 as originally presented
61	New/Pending	12	Claim 12 as originally presented

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Claim(s)	Status	Corresponding claim in '486 patent	Exemplary Support for claim
62	New/Pending	13	Claim 13 as originally presented
63	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 1l. 44-46 and FIGURE 2
64	New/Pending	· N/A	Col. 5, ll. 1-7 and FIGURE 7
65	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 11. 44-46
66	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 11. 54-56
67	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 11. 54-56
- 68	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, ll. 44-46 and FIGURE 2
69	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
70	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
71	New/Pending	14	Claim 14 as originally presented
72	New/Pending	15	Claim 15 as originally presented
73	New/Pending	16	Claim 16 as originally presented
74	New/Pending	17	Claim 17 as originally presented
75	New/Pending	18	Claim 18 as originally presented
76	New/Pending	19	Claim 19 as originally presented; Col.
·			2, l. 21, Col. 3, ll. 66-67; and FIGURES 4 and 6
77	New/Pending	20	Claim 20 as originally presented
78	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 1l. 18-21 and FIGURE 2
79	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 11. 44-46 and FIGURE 2
80	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 11. 54-56
81	New/Pending	-N/A	Col. 4, 1l. 3-5 and FIGURE 2
82	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 2, 11. 54-56
83.	New/Pending	· N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
84	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 4, 11. 44-50
85	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 47-57 and FIGURE 8
86	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 47-57 and FIGURE 8
87	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 29-30 and FIGURE 8
88	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, 1. 65 through col. 4, 1. 1
89	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 3-6 and FIGURE 7
90	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 3-6 and FIGURE 7
91	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 5, 11. 29-31 and FIGURE 8
92	New/Pending	N/A	Claim 1 as originally presented
93	New/Pending	N/A	Cancelled
94	New/Pending	N/A	Cancelled
95	New/Pending	N/A	Col. 3, l. 65 through col. 4, l. 1

Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns regarding this application, Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A

- 43. (Once Amended) The makeup container of claim 39, wherein the housing comprises an outer body coupled about the cover piece and the base piece, wherein the outer body includes a cavity, the cavity allowing expansion of the cover piece or the base piece.
- 71. (Once Amended) A makeup case for holding a cosmetic substance, the case including a cover and a base, the cover being movable to an open position and to a closed position, an improvement comprising:

a hermetic seal when the cover is in the closed position whereby the seal maintains the cover in the closed position;

an outer body configured for retaining the cover and the base within the

<u>body.</u>

- 72. (Once Amended) The makeup case of claim 71, wherein the seal comprises a groove associated with the cover and a peripheral rim associated with the base, the rim being received in the groove when the cover is in the closed position.
- 86. (Once Amended) The compact of claim 85, wherein at least one of the sealing surfaces comprises a wall.
 - 92. (Once Amended) A container for storing cosmetics comprising: base means for providing a base;

cover means for providing a cover selectively positionable between a first position and a second position relative to the base means;

seal means for forming a hermetic seal between the cover means and the base means wherein the seal means comprises:

a curved rim extending from one of the cover means or the base means and a groove configured for receiving the rim disposed between a first wall and a second wall extending from one of the cover means or the base means;

a housing configured for retaining the base means and the cover

means;

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wherein the hermetic seal is formed when the cover means is in the first position.

95. (Once Amended) The container of claim 92, wherein the seal means comprises an insert.